

Re : Arrests in the Ukraine in Aug 1965

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nothing else about KOSIV.

1. In Aug 1965 there were arrests in the Ukraine primarily in Lviv, Kiev and in Volhynia, of people belonging to, or in some other way connected with, M/S's Organization. Altogether there were approx. 20 to 40 persons incarcerated among them SVITLYCHNYI, Ivan. The main figure in this affair seems to be KOSIV fnu but probably Ivan of Lviv who was arrested tagether with SVITLYCHNYI. The Source is inclined to consider KOSIV to be agent-provocateur. Apart from the name itself the Source knows

- 2. Among those stated for arrest was also DZIUBA Ivan but he was spared because of his acute pleuritis. There was also a strong pressure on KOSTENKO Lina. Incidentally, the latter had to reject and send back some parcel sent to her from Vira Vovk of New York, N.Y. KARAFFA-KORBUT S. was also involved but spared because of her reputation as great artist.

 3. The arrests followed a gathering of young writers and Students
- that took place in summer 1965 in ZVENYHORODKA near Kiev. The gathering was organized in the form of a summer camp. An agent-provocateur must have betrayed all conversations and discussions to the KGB.
- 4. Heavy losses have been inflicted on M/H's group in Volhynia. Some people were shot there and in Lviv. Both events the arrests of Zvenyhorodka group and the people shot in Lviv and Volhynia were interconnected.
- 5. The above informations have been received through M/H's channels in the Ukraine, i.e. by mail from their people sent to Rome, Italy; Canada, and other Western countries. The essence of the information came to Rome, Italy, to be more precise to Ukrainian Desk of Italian Radio, headed by Dr W.FEDORONCHUK. Their system of communication was to arrive given material in three different letters and send it to kkm different addresses in the West.





- 6. Incidentally, presently Dr FEDORONCZUK will start a separate department in his Radio called "Free Thought" which will exclusively serve politico-propagandistic and above all communicational purposes of MA's group in its contacts with the Ukraine.
- 7. In m/h's opinion KOLASKA Ivan of Toronto is not only a KGB agent but also associated with last August events in the Ukraine and was sent here to properly "substantiate" and involve some additional elements and links abroad for the KGB's latest ploy.
- 8. FEDYK and MOTTA, members of M/H in Toronto who had introduced KOLASKA to their people, turned out now to be definitely KGB agents at least they described each other as such. All the time they were also in contact with KHOMENKO, SHPED'KO, and ROMANTUK of the Sovie Embassy. MOTA described recently FEDYK as "an old Soviet agent" and FEDYK in his turn "divulged" that his mother and some other relatives in the Ukraine were plus MOTA here, were "encouraging" him to maintein contacts with Soviets. Both MOTA and FEDYK maintained contacts with KRAVCHUK, Petro&MATSIYEVICH both, leading "progressives".

 On the other hand they are also in contact with YAREMKO, Ivan of Chicago and HNATIV, Mykola of Winnipeg, Man.

N.B. KOSIV (Mykhaile?) is known to us as one of the leaders of UNAS in Lviv as was stated by L. to Ro. The name UNAS did not ring the bell with m/h.

Plea e check on Dr W.Fedoronchuk of Rome, Via Nemorense 100, and please don't do anything that might eventually divulge to m/h and others from us.

that you are in possession of above information. Thank you.

